(d) whether it is a fact that entrepreneurs face a lot of problems with IREDA; and

(e) the steps proposed to improve and streamline IREDA?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) and (e) IREDA is an ISO 9001: 2000 certified company which enters into an annual Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with this Ministry. Customer satisfaction, including quality of services forms a part of the MoU. The MoU rating of IREDA for 2005-06 was 'Good'. MoU targets are periodically monitored and corrective action, if required, taken.

Setting up of technology centres in the country

649. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to sign any MoU with foreign countries for setting up of technology centres in the country to tap non-conventional energy sources;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of the countries with which the agreement is expected to be finalized; and

(c) how far the country/States shall be benefited due to this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

New hydel power policy

650. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring out a new hydel power policy to ensure time-bound development of hydro-electric projects and attract increased private sector investment;